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Contract #: 04-0120F4Cty: SF/ALA Rte: 80 PM: 13.2/13.9File #: 1.28**WELDING INSPECTION REPORT****Resident Engineer:** Casey, William**Address:** 333 Burma Road**City:** Oakland, CA 94607**Report No:** WIR-027437**Date Inspected:** 10-Apr-2012**Project Name:** SAS Superstructure**OSM Arrival Time:** 700**Prime Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**OSM Departure Time:** 1730**Contractor:** American Bridge/Fluor Enterprises, a JV**Location:** Job Site

CWI Name:	Steve Mc Connell and Jesse Cayabyab			CWI Present:	Yes	No	
Inspected CWI report:	Yes	No	N/A	Rod Oven in Use:	Yes	No	N/A
Electrode to specification:	Yes	No	N/A	Weld Procedures Followed:	Yes	No	N/A
Qualified Welders:	Yes	No	N/A	Verified Joint Fit-up:	Yes	No	N/A
Approved Drawings:	Yes	No	N/A	Approved WPS:	Yes	No	N/A
				Delayed / Cancelled:	Yes	No	N/A
Bridge No:	34-0006			Component:	SAS Tower		

Summary of Items Observed:

Caltrans Office of Structural Material (OSM) Quality Assurance Inspector (QAI) Joselito Lizardo was present at the Self Anchored Suspension (SAS) job site as requested to perform observations on the welding of components for the San Francisco Oakland Bay Bridge (SFOBB) Project.

At Tower Base 9 meter South external diaphragm, this QA Inspector randomly observed ABF personnel Jin Pei Wang perform 2F (horizontal position) fillet production welding on the 1" thick fit lug to the 45mm thick diaphragm plate on one side and to the 60mm thick vertical stiffener plate on the other side. The welder was using the dual shielded Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW-G) with E71T-1M, 1/16" diameter wire electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-F3200-2. This QA Inspector observed ABF personnel using Miller Proheat 35 Induction Heating System to preheat the plates being welded prior welding. This QA Inspector observed QC Inspector Bernie Docena using a Fluke infra red temperature gauge to verify the preheat temperature of more than 225°F. This QA Inspector performed a verification of the welding parameters and observed 270 amperes and 24.5 volts. The welding appeared to comply with Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-F3200-2. At the end of the shift, the welder was still continuing the fillet weld on two sides of the six (6) fit lugs marked W092-23 to W092-28. The welder performed the post weld heat treatment (PWHT) on the fit lugs using the same preheat temperature and machine and held for three (3) hours as required.

At Tower Base 9 meter inner East external diaphragm, this QA Inspector randomly observed ABF personnel Xiao Jian Wan continuing to perform 4F (overhead position) fillet production welding on the perimeter C10 channel to 45mm thick diaphragm plate fillet weld joint W099-3. The welder was noted welding 6mm fillet between one side

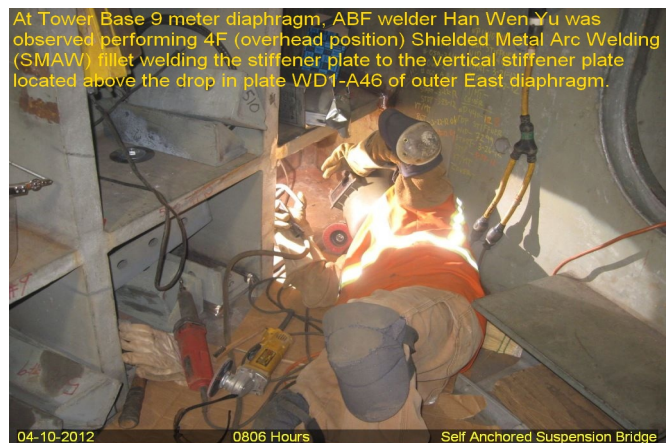
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of the channel top flange and diaphragm plate per detail 1 of the FW3 drawing. The welder was using the 3.2mm diameter E7018H4R electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-F1200A. This QA Inspector observed ABF personnel using propylene gas torch to preheat the plates being welded prior welding. This QA Inspector observed QC Inspector Steve Mc Connell using a Fluke infra red temperature gauge to verify the preheat temperature of more than 150°F. This QA Inspector performed a verification of the welding parameters and observed 125 amperes on the 3.2mm diameter electrode. The welding appeared to comply with Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-F1200A. At the end of the shift, SMAW fillet welding was still continuing and should remain tomorrow.

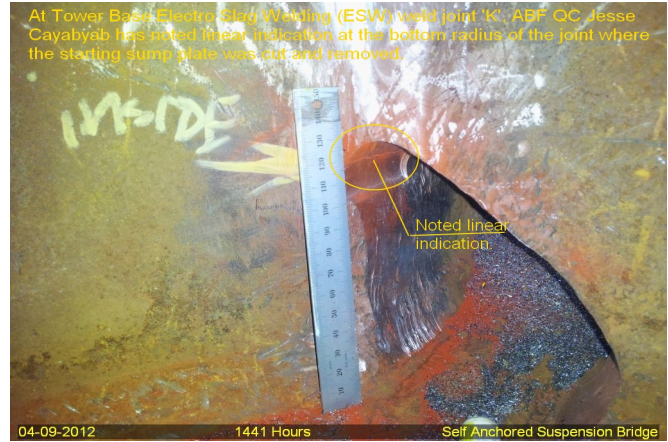
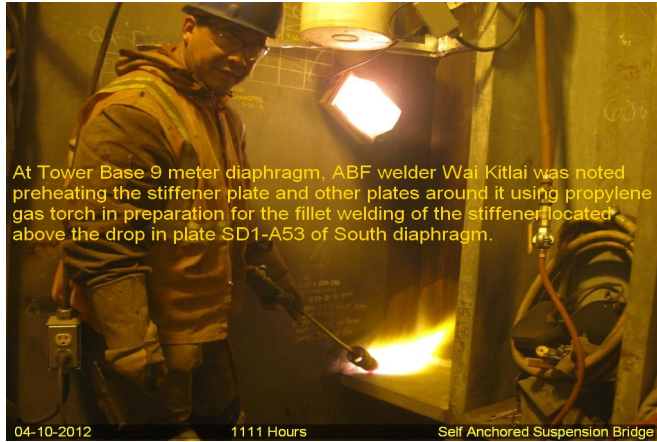
At Tower Base 9 meter inner East external diaphragm, this QA Inspector randomly observed ABF personnel Luo Xiao Hua continuing to perform 4F (overhead position) fillet production welding on the perimeter C10 channel to 45mm thick diaphragm plate fillet weld joint W099-4. The welder was noted welding 6mm fillet between one side of the channel top flange and diaphragm plate per detail 1 of the FW3 drawing. The welder was using the 3.2mm diameter E7018H4R electrode and implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-F1200A. This QA Inspector observed ABF personnel using propylene gas torch to preheat the plates being welded prior welding. This QA Inspector observed QC Inspector Steve Mc Connell using a Fluke infra red temperature gauge to verify the preheat temperature of more than 150°F. This QA Inspector performed a verification of the welding parameters and observed 128 amperes on the 3.2 diameter electrode. The welding appeared to comply with Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-F1200A. At the end of the shift, SMAW fillet welding was still continuing and should remain tomorrow.

At Tower Base Electro Slag Welding (ESW) T-joint 'K', ABF welder was observed performing 3G Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) welding cover repair on welded joint due to unacceptable cover profile. The welder was using SMAW with 3.2mm diameter E7018H4R electrode implementing Caltrans approved Welding Procedure Specification (WPS) ABF-WPS-D15-1000 Repair. The joint was preheated to more than 300°F using propylene gas torch prior welding. ABF QC Jesse Cayabyab was noted on site to monitor the welding parameters with measured working current of 130 amperes during welding. During the shift, ABF QC has informed this QA that during his MT on the bottom of the same ESW weld joint, he noted a linear indication where the starting sump plate was cut and removed. QC also informed this QA that QC will initiate the Weld Repair Report (WRR) and get approval before excavating the linear indication and get welded.



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Summary of Conversations:

No significant conversation occurred today.

Comments

This report is for the purpose of determining conformance with the contract documents and is not for the purpose of making repair or fit for purpose recommendations. Should you require recommendations concerning repairs or remedial efforts please contact SMR Nina Choy 510-385-5910, who represents the Office of Structural Materials for your project.

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QA Reviewer